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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

MARCH 5, 1991

5HR-12

Jack Craig United States Department of Energy Feed Materials Production Center FMPC Remedial Action Project Manager P.O. Box 398705 Cincinnati, Ohio 45239-8705

Re: ISA OU #3 Disputes; U.S. DOE Fernald, OH6 890 008 976

Dear Mr. Craig:

This letter is to confirm the dispute resolution which the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) reached with the United States Department of Energy (U.S. DOE) on March 1, 1991. That resolution is embodied in the attached letter and was negotiated and agreed upon by both U.S. EPA and U.S. DOE. While U.S. EPA fully anticipates that the attached letter will be signed by U.S. DOE, U.S. EPA reserves the right to issue a separate position letter if U.S. DOE changes the position outlined in the attached letter.

Thank you for your cooperation in resolving these disputes.

Sincerely,

Catherine McCord

Remedial Project Manager

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RE: OU#1 ISA Dispute
U.S. DOE - Fernald
OH6 890 008 976

Dear Mr. Avel:

On November 13, 1990, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) disapproved a revised proposed Initial Screening of Alternatives (ISA) report for Operable Unit (OU) #1. Since this was the second disapproval, U.S. EPA invoked dispute resolution in accordance with Section XII of the 1990 Consent Agreement.

A dispute resolution conference call and meeting were held on November 28, 1990, and December 2, 1990, respectively. Because the initial thirty days of dispute resolution is ending and the dispute is not settled, U.S. EPA is providing this written statement of the dispute as required by Section XIV.A of the 1990 Consent Agreement.

A copy of this letter is being provided to the Dispute Resolution Committee, as required by Section XIV.D of the 1990 Consent Agreement. This dispute involves the adequacy of the revised draft ISA Report for OU#1. U.S. EPA's position on the deficiencies of this document were outlined in detail in U.S. EPA's November 13, 1990, letter (Attachment).

U.S. EPA is optimistic that the details regarding a settlement can be worked out at the next level of dispute resolution in the prescribed twenty-one (21) days, if U.S. DOE revises the proposed report in accordance with changes mutually agreed to in our December 2, 1990, meeting.

DEC 1 4 1399 £ 923 Please contact me at (312/FTS) 886-4436, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Catherine A. McCord Remedial Project Manger

Attachment

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